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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

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United States of America, No. 2:20-cr-00213-KJM

Plaintiff, ORDER

v.

Chaloner Saintillus,

Defendant.

The court is in receipt of two handwritten documents lodged on March 16, 2022 by pro se defendant Chaloner Saintillus, also known as Shalam Ali El Bey or Shalam C. Saintillus-Bey. The court construes these documents as a request to file the two documents under seal and **denies** that request as frivolous. The documents contain no private or otherwise sensitive information; they instead include veiled threats, e.g., “Do you understand there are serious Consequences for anyone who attempts to harm or intend to harm the Creditor/Beneficiary? Your honor, do you understand that there is potential liability that is resting upon you in this matter here Today?” The clerk’s office is instructed to return both documents to defendant by mail. *See* E.D. Cal. L.R. 141(e)(1).

If defendant desires to file a document under seal, he must follow the procedure outlined in this District’s Local Rules, including Local Rule 141(b):

(b) Requests to Seal. If a party seeks to seal documents, the party shall submit, in the manner prescribed below, a “Notice of Request to Seal Documents,” a “Request to Seal Documents,” a proposed order, and all documents covered by the request.

Except in pre-indictment criminal investigations in which sealing is sought, the "Notice of Request to Seal Documents" shall be filed electronically, or for non-electronic filers, shall be submitted on paper to the Clerk for filing by hand delivery, by same-day or overnight delivery service provided by a courier, or by U.S. Mail, and shall be served on all parties. The Notice shall describe generally the documents sought to be sealed, the basis for sealing, the manner in which the "Request to Seal Documents," proposed order, and the documents themselves were submitted to the Court, and whether the Request, proposed order, and documents were served on all other parties.

Except in criminal pre-indictment matters, the “Request to Seal Documents,” the proposed order, and all documents covered by the Request shall be either (1) e-mailed to the appropriate Judge or Magistrate Judge’s proposed orders e-mail box listed on the Court’s website, with the e-mail subject line including the case number and the statement: “Request to Seal Documents”; or (2) submitted on paper to the Clerk by hand delivery, by same-day or overnight courier, or by U.S. Mail; the envelope containing the Request, proposed order and documents shall state in a prominent manner “Request to Seal Documents.” If the Request, proposed order, and documents are delivered to the Clerk, the party seeking sealing shall submit a self-addressed, stamped envelope for return of the documents. In either case, the Request, proposed order, and submitted documents shall not be filed at this time.

Except in matters in which it is clearly appropriate not to serve the “Request to Seal Documents,” proposed order, and/or documents upon the parties, which would include criminal pre-indictment matters, all Requests, proposed orders, and submitted documents shall be served on all parties on or before the day they are submitted to the Court. *See L.R. 135.*

The “Request to Seal Documents” shall set forth the statutory or other authority for sealing, the requested duration, the identity, by name or category, of persons to be permitted access to the documents, and all other relevant information. If the Request, proposed order, and/or documents covered by the Request were submitted without service upon one or more other parties, the Request also shall set forth the basis for excluding any party from service. The documents for which sealing is requested shall be paginated consecutively so that they may be identified without

1 reference to their content, and the total number of submitted pages
2 shall be stated in the request.

3 In pre-indictment criminal investigations, unless otherwise ordered,
4 instead of filing a “Notice of Request to Seal Documents,”
5 government counsel shall submit to the Court, with the “Request to
6 Seal Documents,” proposed order, and documents proposed for
7 sealing, a second proposed order sanitized of any identifying
8 information, indicating in the caption that attached documents have
9 been approved for filing under seal, with the understanding that the
10 sanitized order will be filed in the publicly available case file.

11 In the future, the court may summarily deny or disregard any request to file under seal that does
12 not comply with this rule.

13 IT IS SO ORDERED.

14 DATED: March 28, 2022.

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CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE